

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0075] of the application as filed with the following amended paragraph:

--The preferred method of knitting used to accomplish the present invention is that of "stitch evasion", a technique seldom practiced but and generally known to one skilled in the art of warp knitting as set forth below. Now in referring to preferred construction FIG. 1, for example, the yarn (69) of the Front Guide Bar is illustrated as knitting a 2-3/1-0 stitch notation repeat and on the first course numbered 1, the first stitch begins with an overlap of the needle from needle space 2 to needle space 3. (2-3) The yarn (70) threaded in the middle bar 2 which is positioned behind and underneath the front bar 1 yarn sheet in the knitting machine, is simultaneously laid-in at that needle space 3 in a 3-3 stitch notation, thereby making no overlap of the needle in that instance, thus the yarn is free to "stitch evade" or avoid being pinned down by the front bar yarn overlap and is free to surface to the technical back side front most position. In the like manner, Course Number 2 of the 2-course repeat of the Front Bar is notated as a 1-0, making an overlap on the needle between needle space 1 and 0, and the Middle Bar 2 yarn (70) is laid-in at that instance as an 0-0 notation thereby making no overlap of the that needle, and just as in the case of course 1, the yarn is free to surface around the front bar yarn and re-position itself to the front most technical back side of the fabric. The resultant fabric structure then has the middle bar yarn (70) primarily laying in a plane parallel to the warp yarn and surfaced to the front most position, and is tacked down in the fabric only at those certain points whereby the underlaps of adjacent ends from the Front Bar 1 have secured the middle bar yarn (70). The back most Bar 3, which in a preferred embodiment contains an elastomeric Spandex or a stretch PBT polyester yarn, serves to gather and collapse the fabric in both length and width and aids in the forcing of the middle bar 2 yarn (70) to the outward exterior technical back fabric surface. FIG. 2 and FIG.3 are alternate embodiments that provide the stitch evasion technique but with differing results due to the increased length of the stitch lapping in FIG. 2 and in the case of FIG. 3, the absence of a Back Bar altogether.—